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Trouble Averted

This Morning British and Russian Troops Will Leave Detachable Ground.

All Danger of Collision With French Forces Has Now Passed.

Band of Robbers Annoying Chinese Villages Dispersed by Germans.

Pekin, March 22 (2 a. m.).—Count von Waldersee, Gen. Barrow and Gen. Wogack have been in consultation, and Gen. Wogack has agreed to withdraw the Russian troops from the disputed ground at Tien Tsin, provided the British also withdraw. He insisted also upon a guarantee that work on the railway siding should not proceed until the matter had been diplomatically adjusted. This proposal and stipulation were satisfactory to Gen. Barrow and were accepted by him. Consequently the British and Russian troops will be withdrawn at 5 o'clock this (Friday) morning, thereby averting all trouble at present.

Orders have been issued, however, that no British officer shall "sleep out" at night or go to dinner without furnishing his address to the adjutant. The marines will return to the ships. Admiral Seymour objects to any of the Australian naval brigade who volunteered for service on the railway remaining. The military authorities say he does not understand the situation; that his interference is uncalled for, and that the Australian marines are just the men needed. The Russians have ordered a regiment to proceed from Port Arthur to Tien Tsin.

The arrangements made by Gen. Bailoud, the French commander, are regarded as completely satisfactory, and all danger of collision between the British and the French is considered obviated. London, March 21.—In the Lords today Lord Lansdowne, discussing the Tien Tsin trouble, said that on March 20 the alleged removal of the Russian boundary pillar occurred, and the government instructed the British minister at Peking, Sir Ernest Sartorius, that Great Britain was ready to refer the facts to Field Marshal von Waldersee, on the understanding that if either side was found to have committed an irregularity it should apologize to the other.

The government added that the construction of the siding should be continued under whatever conditions the field marshal thought fit to impose. He (Lord Lansdowne) was glad to say he had heard this morning from the British ambassador at St. Petersburg, Sir George Buchanan, that the Russian foreign minister, Count Lansdowne, had proposed that they should agree to reserve all questions of title and proprietary rights for the two governments, and that in the meanwhile orders be forthwith sent for the withdrawal of the troops of both sides from the disputed plots. Great Britain had entirely concurred, and thought withdrawals should be carried out to Field Marshal von Waldersee's satisfaction. Lord Lansdowne added that Count Lansdowne had expressed a very moderate and statesmanlike desire to avoid any excuse for friction between the two governments, and since the receipt of Count Lansdowne's proposal the government had ordered the military authorities to carry out the simultaneous withdrawal of the troops to the satisfaction of Field Marshal von Waldersee, so that there might be no room for a new misunderstanding in regard to matter of detail. His lordship expressed the hope that the result of the negotiations showed that what was only a very small matter of strictly local importance would not be allowed to disturb the relations between the two countries.

Lord Cranborne, foreign under secretary in the House of Commons to-day, assured Sir Ellis Ashmole-Barlett that the government considered the statements of the Russian foreign minister, Count Lansdowne, of Feb. 6 and Feb. 17 as applicable to an agreement in regard to Manchuria, Northern Russia and China. Berlin, March 21.—The office commander the German troops in Peking cables to the war office here that owing to the complaints of the inhabitants, a band of robbers has been dispersed by Capt. Preiss with a squadron of cavalry at a village 48 kilometers from Pao Ting Fu. Several of the robbers were killed, and wounded, and the others were imprisoned and handed over to the Chinese court for trial.

Major von Muhlman started for Pao Ting Fu with three companies of infantry, a squadron of cavalry and a train of mountain artillery for a place to the eastward of Tao Makuan. He is proceeding against a large band of robbers.

BURNED TO DEATH.
Child at Hatzie Falls Into a Fire.

Vancouver, March 21.—(Special)—The three-year-old son of J. H. Lawrence, of Hatzie, was playing around a big fern fire near his home yesterday, when he suddenly changed and turned the flames on the boy, who fell into the fire. He was pulled out a moment after, but died from his injuries during the night.

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BANK OF ENGLAND.

Semi-Annual Meeting Declares Five Per Cent. Dividend.

London, March 21.—At the semi-annual meeting of the Bank of England to-day, the governor announced that the net profits for the six months ending February 28 were £725,596, making the amount of "rest" at that date £3,750,341. After providing for a dividend of 5 per cent. the amount of "rest" was £3,022,691.

GIANT POWDER EXPLODES.

Men Working in Rapid Transit Tunnel Seriously Hurt.

New York, March 21.—There was an explosion of Giant Powder today in the shaft of the Rapid Transit tunnel at 181st street and Broadway. More than 60 men were at work in the shaft at the time of the explosion. Three of them were so seriously wounded that they were taken to a hospital. A number of others were overcome by gas, but were revived quickly and went to their homes.

BURNED A VILLAGE.

Philippines Commit Depredations and Are Punished.

Manila, March 21.—Insurgents have attacked and burned the ungarisoned village of Uglus, in the Province of South Ilocos, a detachment of the Twentieth Infantry overtook and chastised the marauders. Col. Schuyler of the 46th Volunteer Infantry, has captured eight insurgent officers and 218 men at the village of Terante in Cavite Province.

The Obstacle To Settlement

Lord Kitchener's Refusal to Grant Complete Amnesty to Rebel Leaders.

Terms He Offered to the Conquered Boers Were Most Generous.

London, March 22.—The Daily Chronicle, professing to be able to give an outline of the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and Gen. Botha, says: "The chief obstacle to a settlement was Lord Kitchener's refusal to grant complete amnesty to the leaders of the rebels in Cape Colony. He offered self-government on the line of Jamaica immediately upon the cessation of hostilities, with legislative bodies partly elected by the burghers."

"The government agreed to provide £1,000,000 to compensate the Boers for property destroyed and articles commandeered by the Boers on commando, providing the signature of the officers who commandeered the goods were forthcoming. He also offered to grant loans on easy terms for rebuilding and re-stocking farmsteads."

"Moreover, he agreed that children should be instructed in English or Dutch, at the discretion of their parents. The government undertook to make no claim on church property or funds or upon hospital or funds of hospitals or upon private investments."

"No burgher of either state was to be allowed to possess a rifle, except by special license."

"Gen. Botha was generally in favor of these conditions, but he dissented strongly from a proposal to give the full privilege of citizenship to properly domiciled and registered blacks."

"He was also greatly concerned about the position the Jewish capitalists would occupy in the country, and was told that Jews and Christians would enjoy equal rights, no distinction being made in the matter of concessions. The parliament of the Boers on the subject are still divided, but will probably appear to-day (Friday)."

PRESBYTERIAN HOME MISSIONS

Appropriations for the Work in British Columbia and the Yukon.

Toronto, March 21.—(Special)—No important changes were made in the revision of grants by the Presbyterian home mission committee. The appropriations for Manitoba, British Columbia and the Northwest caused a good deal of discussion and were finally adjusted as follows: Ontario and Quebec, \$27,050; Manitoba and Northwest, \$18,000; British Columbia, \$24,000; Yukon, \$5,000; foreigners, \$8,000. Travelling expenses of Manitoba, British Columbia and Yukon missionaries, \$4,000; printing, interest and general expenses, \$4,000; salaries and expenses of superintendents, \$4,500; total, \$97,150.

KIDNAPPED.

Chicago Young Lady Suddenly Disappears From Her Home.

Chicago, March 21.—After a thorough search with dragnets in Lake Michigan at the foot of Sixty-third street, the police to-day became inclined to believe that May Comstock, the 17-year-old daughter of a wealthy retired merchant residing at Benton Harbor, Mich., who disappeared last evening, was kidnapped instead of suiciding, which was at first thought. Miss Comstock was studying music in this city. She left her boarding house as usual, and later her hat and cloak were found on the bench at Sixty-third street. Mr. Comstock insists, however, that his daughter had positively no reason for self-destruction, and the police to-day felt inclined to believe in the father's theory of kidnapping.

Report Is Confirmed

That Canadian Pacific and Crow's Nest Southern Have Reached Agreement.

The B. C. Southern Occupies the Railway Committee at Ottawa.

Mr. Brock Favors Repeal of Preferential Feature in Tariff.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, March 21.—The report that the Canadian Pacific and Crow's Nest Coal Company have compromised over the branch line of the Great Northern to the Fernie coal fields is confirmed, but the details are not yet forthcoming.

The British Columbia Southern oil occupied a considerable portion of the time of the railway committee this morning. The company was granted one year's extension of time to build the line from Fort Steele to Golden. The branch must be begun during the present year and completed in five years. A lengthy discussion took place as to the power to be given the company in the matter of constructing branches. The matter, however, was finally compromised by deciding that they be allowed to build branch lines from the line connecting Fort Steele and Golden, but no branch lines from the branch lines thus built.

Mr. Monk in the house to-day enquired what the government intended to do with the application made by Capt. Bernier for aid in equipping a vessel for the polar expedition.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier.—Does my honorable friend favor it?

Mr. Monk.—Personally I do.

Mr. Clarke.—Certainly, everybody does. Sir Wilfrid Laurier promised to state the government's intentions in the matter at an early date.

The debate on the budget occupied all day.

Mr. Brock (Conservative, Centre Toronto) declared himself emphatically in favor of repealing the preferential feature of the present tariff.

The other speakers were Messrs. Maclellan, Roche (Halifax), Ross (South Ontario), Vrooman and Clare.

The debate was adjourned on motion of Mr. Oliver (Alberta).

SPOILED BY RAIN.

Fetes in Honor of Duke and Duchess of Cornwall.

Gibraltar, March 21.—The fetes arranged for to-day in honor of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall were spoiled by a heavy rain storm. The military review was cancelled.

FROM NANAIMO.

Union Mines—Rev. Mr. Baer and the Church Court.

Nanaimo, March 21.—(Special)—Passengers from Cumberland report the repair squad at the bottom of No. 6 shaft, where the scene of wreckage is awful. The whole shaft has been carefully repaired for the passage of the cage with water boxes, by means of which the mine has been slowly emptied. Debris at the foot of the shaft is piled 60 feet up, but is gradually being removed.

Great activity in mining is reported from all the mines. The Monitor, Golden Eagle and Hayes mines are working full time, piling ore on the dumps. All the talk there is now of a smelter this summer, and hopes of a railway from Nanaimo.

Rev. W. W. Baer declares to-night, touching the report about his case now before the Methodist Church court for using tobacco habitually, that he is the victim of organized persecution, but that he holds evidence which if published would completely vindicate him.

MR. ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN

Gives Evidence as to Securing of Cordite Contracts.

London, March 21.—In the hearing to-day of libel actions brought against the Star and the Morning Leader by Mr. Arthur Chamberlain in connection with charges bearing on war office contracts, in which the defendants plead that the articles printed were not libelous, and were fair comments on matters of public interest, the cross-examination of Mr. Chamberlain was continued. He declared he had formed the opinion that the main object of the articles was to vilify his brother, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, in doing which they had vilified the witness. The defendants averred that the Kynocks and the Nobels had agreed to keep up the prices of the powder for which the latter had tendered to the British government. Mr. Arthur Chamberlain repudiated all knowledge of the letters. Subsequently there had been an agreement in 1898 between the Kynocks, the Nobels and the Chamberlains in regard to a fixed price for cordite. Counsel read the evidence given by the Nobels' manager before the war office contracts were taken, to the effect that Mr. Arthur Chamberlain told him he had personal influence to secure contracts. In regard to the cordite contract secured for Arklow in 1898, Mr. Arthur Chamberlain said he had not seen any Irish members of parliament, but had got local pressure put on them by telling the working people that the shops would be closed unless the contract was secured.

There the Lord Chief Justice interjected: "You pulled the strings."

On further cross-examination Mr. Arthur Chamberlain admitted that the Kynocks had secured government orders for cordite when their tenders were higher than others.

The case was again adjourned.

There is not an ounce of headache in a barrel of Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey.

Moana Will Come in May

She Will Leave Sydney Towards End of April for This Port.

Miowera Arrives From Australia

—Crew of the Willamette Arrive.

R. M. S. Miowera arrived yesterday afternoon from Australia colonies, via Honolulu, and with her arrival confirmation was given to the report some time ago published in the Colonist that the steamer Moana was to replace the Warriwong. The steamer is not to come back, and the Moana will sail from Sydney in her stead on April 22nd, arriving here on May 15th. The Arrang will sail on Monday from Sydney and then the next liner to leave the colonies will be the new Moana. She is a much larger steamer than either of the three other liners, and will be a welcome addition to the fleet. The Warriwong is to do as was definitely stated, but was understood she was to run from Australia to New Zealand. The Miowera had an uneventful trip with no stormy weather to mar the passage. She left Sydney on February 25th and Brisbane on March 1st. Fresh to moderate winds were experienced to the equator and thence to Honolulu strong to fresh northeast trades with high east seas. She reached Honolulu on March 13th and sailed again early on the morning of the 14th. From Honolulu she experienced fresh to strong variable winds and clear weather throughout. She brought a light cargo, some 40 tons of which, mostly carcasses of frozen mutton for the cold storage company, and tin and lead, were landed at the outer wharf. She left for Vancouver on the morning of the 15th. The crew were Misses McFarlane, Phipps, Vuotila, Murae, Mesdames Vick, Oats, Edge, Saw, Edg, Groves, Allan and child, Lilya, Linquist and two children; Messrs. Whittle, Cope, Oats, Wilcox, and one child, Humphries, Clegg, Mahfield, Coo, Lilya, Ryahuree, Hutchinson, Puryan, Bell (2), Carlson, Doyan, Jones, Melton, Raur, Pallen, Seadey, Davies, Little, Cowen.

WILLAMETTE ABANDONED.

Now a Total Wreck and Abandoned to the Underwriters—Crew Brought Down.

The wrecked collier Willamette has been abandoned to the underwriters, and the steamer Otter which returned from the scene of the wreck yesterday morning, brought down the crew of the lost collier with the exception of Capt. Hansen, who, with Engineer Lacey, of the Pacific Coast Company, is remaining with the wreck. Otter's crew was also brought down, and with him came his wrecking apparatus, for no steps will be made toward saving the vessel until the underwriters make up their minds as to their program. The wrecked collier was a total wreck on Tuesday night. At 8:40 p. m. she parted in two, and the stern part fell back and sank to the bottom. As the steamer now lies, her hull is up like a hog's back and there is some distance separating the parted hull from the bow. The broken plates are about six feet forward of her smokestack, the rocks which held her fast until she broke in two, being through her hull between the after bulkhead and the funnels, near the fire room. She was completely filled, the water running right through both parts, although the steamer is fitted with bulkheads. With the steamer in two it was decided to abandon her, and Otter steamed away for Victoria with the diver and his gear, and the members of the crew, who are bound to San Francisco. The exact time of her stranding as given by one of the men on watch was Saturday morning at 17:23. She is insured, it is understood, at San Francisco.

Lloyd's agent, who arrived at Nanaimo from Union by the steamer City of Nanaimo, says the Willamette is going to pieces fast and never had a chance from the time she struck the reef. The keelson parted nearly amidships, and the vessel hangs like a hinge, the stem half slowly disappearing in deep water. All the cargo, engines and fittings can be saved if the weather does not blow up too stormy.

DRUMCRAIG ARRIVES.

Coal Ship Arrives from Cardiff with Cargo of Welsh Coal.

Bark Drumcraig, which was towed into Port Angeles on Wednesday, was towed over from that port to Esquimalt yesterday afternoon by the tug Tye. The Drumcraig is 130 days from Cardiff with a cargo of coal for the navy. The ship James Drumcraig, from Honolulu for Chemulung to load lumber, was also towed in yesterday afternoon, and last night the schooner Meteor, which is a local exchange, was towed up yesterday afternoon after being thoroughly repaired, was towed to Seattle by the Mazie and the Tye towed the ship Dundee, laden with lumber cargo, from Chemulung, to sea.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Rosalie leaving here tonight at 10 o'clock will go through to Tacoma for another heavy cargo of freight. Returning, she will leave Seattle for Victoria on Saturday evening at 10 o'clock, and on Saturday morning, arriving back here at 10 o'clock Sunday morning. This will give excursionists all day Saturday at Seattle.

THE MINERS SORE FEET.

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The sale of Dr. Chase's Ointment in British Columbia is enormous, and on inquiry it is found that it is used by miners in large quantities as a cure for chafed, sore feet, made so by wearing heavy boots and being continually on foot. Every miner who reads this will appreciate the value of an ointment which promptly gives relief to this and every other form of irritated and itching skin. In order that you may try Dr. Chase's Ointment for yourself, we make the following offer:

To every miner who will send his name and address, mention this paper, and enclose a few cents stamp to pay postage, we shall send post-paid a sample box of Dr. Chase's Ointment. It is indeed the miner's friend, for besides curing chafed and itching skin, Dr. Chase's Ointment is an absolute cure for piles. Sixty cents a box, at all dealers, Edmondson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

MOVING PICTURES.

Splendid Entertainment by the Searchlight Company Last Night.

The special performance given by the Searchlight company at the A. O. U. W. hall last evening, showed the high artistic point to which entertainments of the moving picture order have been developed. The cinematograph used was of splendid mechanism, the various scenes being produced in a most realistic manner, and without the usual usually characterizing these exhibitions. The management fulfilled their promise of "two hours of moving pictures," and during that time the audience was both amused and instructed by the variety of scenes presented. The piece of resistance was the entrance of a late late passenger passing through Windsor. It is a wonderful photographic reproduction of the great

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When the steamer Miowera left Honolulu there was much anxiety for the American bark Olympia, then 31 days out from San Francisco. Ordinarily the Olympia would have made the run down in 18 days, for she is a staunch vessel and one of the fastest of the fleet plying between San Francisco and the islands.

News was brought by the steamer Miowera which arrived yesterday afternoon, that the British warship Warspite, flagship of the Northern Pacific fleet, arrived at Honolulu from Esquimalt on March 13, the same day as the Miowera and anchored off the port.

The schooner Dora Seward, which arrived at Honolulu on March 14th, had 91 skins, including a large number of seals, on board. The schooner Forest Hall, which arrived at Callao on Wednesday from Port Gambier, reported having been on fire, and her stores and cabin were damaged. Her rudder, too, was unserviceable. She had to jettison part of her cargo.

Steamer Koarven sailed for Nanaimo from San Francisco on Wednesday, and the Bristol from Chemulung.

Local News.

Considering Estimates.—The city council are busy considering their estimates for the current year. They had the first meeting for the purpose on Wednesday evening and met again last night.

Bible Society.—Probably on account of the sudden change in the weather last evening, the attendance at the annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society, which was held in the First Presbyterian church, was rather small. Mr. N. Shakespeare presided, and the following gentlemen were on the platform: Rev. Mr. Blyth, Rev. Mr. Barnard, Rev. E. S. Rowe and Rev. D. MacLach. Mr. Shakespeare gave a short address, and Rev. Mr. MacLach explained the good work the Upper Canada Bible Society does, and he expected the people to support the society.

Miss Loewen's Recital.—A large audience at Messrs. Wait & Co.'s hall yesterday afternoon and evening testified by frequent and hearty applause appreciation of Miss Gertrude Loewen's exquisite rendering of pianoforte works by Liszt, Rachmaninoff, Chopin, etc. Much credit is due both to Miss Loewen and to Mr. Herbert Kent, the latter who gave a contribution of several beautiful songs, for providing such a really first class musical entertainment. Miss Loewen was kindly arranged to repeat the program this afternoon and evening, and Messrs. Wait & Co. extend a cordial invitation to Victoria's music lovers to attend these recitals at their music hall on Government street.

On Lecturing Tour.—An interesting gentleman is Rev. J. Idrisyn Jones, who is a native of Wales. He is a lecturer of eminence and is a member of the British Israel Association, whose objects are to investigate and propound the doctrine that the Anglo-Saxon race is a part of the lost ten tribes of Israel. The reverend gentleman is on a tour of the colonies, with the intention of lecturing in all of them and thus arousing interest in the subject which he has deep at heart. He arrived in town yesterday, having visited the West Indies and the travelled across the continent from New Orleans. While staying in the city he will be pleased to meet anyone interested in the ideas he is engaged in lecturing upon. He is staying at the Dominion hotel, where he may be called on. It is quite possible that Mr. Jones will deliver a lecture before he leaves Victoria, and as a speaker he is eloquent and capable his addresses are always well received. He spent some time in Australia, where he lectured in nearly all the principal centres and made a very favorable impression. His father was vicar of a Welsh parish, who gained the Bardic title of Idrisyn, which Mr. Jones, as eldest son, is entitled to assume.

TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

Province Granted Leave to Appeal Case of Japanese Light to Vote.

The Privy Council yesterday granted the application of the Attorney-General for leave to appeal the case of Tomoy Homan, the Japanese test case as to right of naturalized Japanese to vote. The province was represented at the court by Mr. H. A. McLean, deputy attorney general.

This morning the appeal in Stevenson vs. Parks will be continued before the full court.

IN CHAMBERS.

Mr. Justice Walker yesterday heard the application for affidavits of documents in Victoria City vs. Bales, an order being made. Mr. Balesburn for the city, Mr. Gregory for Bales.

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Special Announcement.

Moving pictures showing the complete funeral cortege of our late Queen Victoria, passing through Windsor will be reproduced at the A. O. U. W. Hall by "Searchlight Co." on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 21, 22, 23. In order to accommodate the numerous crowds that have been anxiously awaiting, the Searchlight has secured the above mentioned hall for these three nights only. This is the only complete view of the Queen's funeral present taken, and is photographically perfect. An excellent view, showing the blue-jackets drawing the gun carriage and coffin, surrounded by the crown and sceptre, is obtained. The royal personages are here shown, following the coffin on foot, whilst in the rear of the procession will be noticed the Gentlemen-at-Arms and the Yeomen of the Guard in their quaint and picturesque costumes. This moving picture has just arrived from London, England, and is 1,000 feet long. In conjunction we give two hours of moving pictures. Music by Fifth Regiment band.

event, the various personages, the Kings princes, military and naval commanders, the soldiers, sailors and cavalry, combining to make a procession without parallel. There will be performances both afternoon and evening today and tomorrow.

THE FIRST TROOPER.

Trooper Daniels of Strathcona's Horse Returns From the Front.

Trooper Percy Daniels, well known as a sportsman, more particularly to cyclists, arrived home last evening from South Africa, where he served during the campaign with Strathcona's horse. He came via London and did not having stayed as long as the other members of the Strathconas, he is the first to arrive back. He came in unostentatiously on the Charnier last night, wearing the now familiar khaki, with the riding trousers and puttees and cowboy hat with the "S. H." of the well-known Canadian force. Trooper Daniels was one of those who received medals from King Edward VII. in London, and attended the opening of parliament with the other Canadian soldiers. He says the Strathconas are a glorious reception in London. There was nothing too good for them. He came across to Halifax on the Allan liner Numidian and lost no time in getting across the continent to Victoria. While admitting that the "transval" is a long way, he says there is no place though like Canada. Trooper Daniels, it will be remembered, did not join the Horse here when they were recruited, but not a whit disheartened by his failure to enlist here he followed them to South Africa, and there became a member of the regiment.

Major Laurie, who recruited two Victoria troopers, was very sick during the campaign and prevented from getting to the front as much as he wished. He was a popular man, and his death was a great loss to the regiment. Major Laurie was a company sergeant during the campaign and like Sergeant Palls, Goughan, remained in South Africa, having secured a commission. Many commissions were offered to men of all ranks in Strathcona's, and officers of the late Major Howard's scouts asked many of them to join that body of Canadian scouts.

I don't specially mind a fifty-year maiden claiming she's only thirty. Nor do I. If time has told on her, what is it but a kind of getting over with wiping out an old score? Philadelphia Times.

A robin has hung round Sebevaling all winter, flocking with the sparrows since he could not "flock" by himself. The editor of a local exchange has been up the stove with the green subscription basswood sizzling inside, remarks that "One robin does not make a summer." True, but a few swallows will make a fall.—Detroit Tribune.

I've been on this road ten years, said the conductor on a southern railway to a passenger who complained of slow time, and I know what I'm talking about. Ten years, eh? said the passenger. What station did you get on at?—Kansas City Star.

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JAMES WILSON, Sanitary Inspector. Victoria, B. C. Feb. 7, 1901.

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sult the Night Editor.

THE GOVERNMENT'S ANSWER.

We print this morning in full the re-
plies of the Ministers to the delegation
appointed by the meeting held in the
Theatre on Tuesday night. The sev-
eral statements made call for no ex-
planation. Mr. Dunsinuir has a right
to expect that when he states his object
to be to make the best possible bargain
for the province, he will be credited
with speaking frankly and with the in-
tention of carrying out his promise in
the spirit as well as the letter. Any
conclusion at which he shall arrive will
naturally be subject to criticism, and he
must be able to justify it to the house;
but the wisdom of his effort to secure
the best possible terms for the province
cannot be called in question. If only
one company sought to build the road,
it would be his duty to stipulate for
terms. How much more, then, is it his
duty to do so when there are at least
two companies seeking the subsidy?

The most important part of the Pre-
mier's statement was when he said that
the government would insist upon a
control of rates and a percentage of
earnings. The day has gone by when
any government in Canada will give a
bonus to a railway and not retain any
voice in the fixing of rates. This is so
universally recognized that no argument
upon the point is necessary. The re-
ceipt by the government of a percentage
of earnings is somewhat new. It was
first proposed in this province in 1898 in
connection with the contemplated road
to the Yukon. We do not know that it
has been adopted by any of the other
provinces. The nearest approach to it
is the provision in the last Dominion
Subsidy Act, whereby the companies
subsidized must pay 3 per cent. upon
the subsidy by the carriage of mails,
etc., for the government. Mr. Dunsin-
muir's plan not only contemplates that
the company shall pay the interest upon
its subsidy, when its business is suffi-
cient, but that ultimately the subsidy
may be returned to the treasury. A
subsidy for the Coast-Kootenay line
would probably amount to \$1,500,000,
which at 4 per cent. for interest and
sinking fund would call for \$60,000 a
year. In order to reach an estimate of
what would be necessary in the way
of percentage to protect the treasury,
only a very simple calculation is neces-
sary. To realize 4 per cent. on a subsidy
of \$4,000 a mile, 4 per cent. on earnings
of \$4,000 per mile would be needed.
The earnings of the Intercolonial Rail-
way last year were \$3,462.52 per mile.
Hence if the proposed railway earned a
little over \$500 per mile more than the
Intercolonial, 4 per cent. of its gross
earnings would convert the subsidy into
a secured loan. We mention this per-
centage solely as an illustration and
not because we have any reason to sup-
pose that it is the figure which the
government will demand. The value of
such an arrangement is that, no matter
at what percentage the return shall be
fixed, there will come a time when
what necessitates a liability upon the
treasury at the outset will become an
asset.

A LUMBER DUTY.

Yesterday Mr. Garden moved a reso-
lution in the house to the effect that a
duty ought to be imposed on lumber
coming into Canada from the United
States that would equal the duty im-
posed by the United States upon lum-
ber going into that country from Can-
ada. Mr. Martin opposed it in a free
trade speech, and the debate was ad-
journed. We submit that the question
of free trade versus protection is not
involved in the resolution. Doubtless
there are many Liberals, who like Mr.
Martin are of the opinion that the
Laurier ministry has not gone far
enough in the direction of a revenue
tariff, and this is why we claim that it
is inopportune to attempt to introduce
this abstract question into a discussion
of this specific matter. If the Laurier

ministry had carried out the free trade
ideas advocated by the Liberals when
in opposition, there might be some
reason for Mr. Martin to say as a Liberal
he opposed the resolution, but as the
facts of the case are, whatever Mr.
Martin may do as a free trader, he cer-
tainly cannot oppose the imposition of
reciprocal duties on lumber as a sup-
porter of the present federal adminis-
tration. Hence there are no federal
politics in Mr. Garden's resolution,
which aims at nothing more than to get
an expression of opinion from the house
upon a subject of very great local in-
terest. It does not ask the federal min-
istry to reserve its policy, for it retains
upon the statute book, duties which have
precisely the effect which it is hoped
would follow from the imposition of a
duty on lumber from the United States.
Mr. Martin said that Mr. Garden moved
the resolution as a Conservative, but
we do not so understand the case, and
we think that Mr. Martin has misrep-
resented the attitude of his colleague.
We do not suppose that Mr. Garden for
a single moment thought he would make
a point against the Dominion govern-
ment by introducing such a resolution,
but only that he is desirous of giving
expression through the legislature to the
opinions which are undoubtedly held by
the people interested in the manufacture
of lumber in this province.

THE CENSUS.

A correspondent, whose letter we
print this morning, draws attention to
the fact that the Census is to be taken
next month, and urges every one to co-
operate with the enumerators to see that
the returns are got in correctly. It
ought not to be necessary to make such
an appeal, but the experience in most
countries shows the contrary. A great
many people are very averse to answer-
ing the questions of the census enumera-
tors. They can hardly give a reason for
it, and to many people it will seem in-
credible that any one should hesitate,
but that does not help the matter. Some
people do object.

Our correspondent gives some of the
particulars upon which the people will
be interrogated, and we fancy that he
has covered the whole ground pretty
well. If he has not, we are inclined to
 pity the man who has to extract the in-
formation. It will be seen that some of
the questions are not such as every per-
son can answer off-hand, and it would
be just as well if the heads of families
would familiarize themselves with them.
It will save time to themselves and the
enumerator.

RAILWAY FERRIES.

There is an exhibition in Messrs. Hib-
ben & Co.'s window a blue print of the
railway ferry which it is proposed to
put on between this Island and the
Mainland under the provisions of the
Ferry By-law. Many people will prob-
ably be surprised to see how very unlike
the ordinary idea of a ferry it is. The
ordinary conception of a railway ferry
is a barge-like affair, the ordinary river
ferry on a large scale. This is the sort
of vessel which transfers the cars of the
Northern Pacific at Kalama across the
the Columbia river. It is also the kind
used in ferrying cars across the Detroit
river. There is no difference in prin-
ciple between these boats and an ordinary
saw-ferry, except in size and motive
power. The same observation applies to
the transfer used between Ladysmith
and Vancouver. But the development
of car ferries has passed beyond the
barge stage, as is shown by the vessels
used on the Great Lakes. Two of these
may be mentioned. These are Shenan-
go No. 1, plying on Lake Erie, a wooden
vessel, and Pere Marquette, a steel ship
plying on Lake Michigan. The run of
these boats is about 60 miles. To look
at them no one would for a moment
think they are car ferries, yet that is
what they are, pure and simple.
They carry each 32 of the largest
freight cars loaded. They look like
ocean steamships, especially the Pere
Marquette, which is a very handsome
craft. The General Manager of the
Pere Marquette railway, which operates
the last named vessel, says that if she
were on the sea coast, he would load her
to her full capacity with loaded cars
and send her around the world. There
would not be the least difficulty, if the
Siberian railway were completed, in
loading a train of cars at Halifax and
sending it directly through to the most
westerly point in Europe reached by
land. Such a vessel can have, if it were
thought necessary, accommodation for
hundreds of passengers in addition to
the freight. The ferrying of loaded cars
is being perfected very rapidly, and it
is of immense importance to Vancouver
Island. Sufficient progress has already
been made to show that all the objec-
tions that may be made to any port on
Vancouver Island as a terminus for rail-
way traffic can be overcome. Freight
can be transferred just as easily across
the strip of water between this Island
and the Mainland as it could be carried
over a piece of railway of the same
length.

THE EXHIBITION.

We wish again to direct attention to
the absolute necessity of immediately
placing the Management of the proposed
exhibition in possession of sufficient
funds to enable them to carry out the
project which they have in hand. Delay
in this matter is very dangerous. An
exhibition is something that demands
early preparation. There is a very great
deal of work to be done, especially in
this city, where there has been nothing
of the kind held for some years. It is
also necessary that some one should be
employed who will devote his whole time
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services of the right man, provision must
be made for a good salary, but the Man-
agement are not in a position to engage
any one at the present time, because
they cannot tell what amount of funds
they will be able to devote to a salary
for such a man or for any other pur-
pose. For this reason we hope that
everybody will assist all he can in facili-
tating the collection of funds. This is
really as much one person's business
as another's, and therefore public co-
operation with the management may be
asked without hesitation.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE CENSUS.

Sir,—As I understand that the census is
to be taken next month, commencing
the 1st April, and it is a matter of impor-
tance to this province as well as the whole
Dominion that there should be no name left
off the list; and I hope for one that we will
all give whatever assistance we can to the
enumerators when they go round from
house to house to get the information
sought for. One thing that we should un-
derstand is that it is compulsory for every
head of a family to answer all the ques-
tions asked of them by the enumerators.
If the questions are not answered by any
one they are liable to a fine of forty dollars,
according to the Dominion Census Act. One
thing also that might be understood is that
the enumerators are all sworn to secrecy,
so that any information given them is not
known to any one else. There are so many
questions to be asked, such as name of each
person in family or household, sex, color,
relationship to head of home, single, mar-
ried, widowed or divorced, month and date
of birth, year of birth, age at last birth-
day, country or place of birth, year of im-
migration to Canada, year of naturalization,
racial or tribal origin, nationality, religion,
profession, occupation or means of living,
living on own means, employer, employee,
working on own account, working at trade
in factory, or in home, months employed at
trade in factory or in home, months employ-
ed in other occupation than trade in factory
or in home, earnings from occupation or
trade, extra earnings from other than chief
occupation or trade, months at school in
year, can read, can write, can speak Eng-
lish, can speak French, mother tongue of
speaker, deaf and dumb, blind, unsound
mind, house, institution, real estate owned,
real estate leased or otherwise held, death,
age when died, disease or cause of death,
name of attending physician and a number
of other questions; so you will readily un-
derstand, Mr. Editor, that we should all be
prepared to give an answer to all enquiries,
and make the difficult tasks of the enumera-
tors as easy as possible.

RESIDENT.

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ged, diseased and diseased. Have you back-
ache or a weak, lame back? Do you have
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"Triller," in the Wondrous Gazette, a
paper which has a large circulation in
all parts of the world, has just published
about the special edition of the Colo-
nist.
"Inter-communication by means of
newspapers is an agreeable feature of
our existence, and whilst so many copies
of the Gazette find their way to distant
parts of the earth, about friends abroad
are pleased to keep us in remembrance
by sending on occasional copies of the
journals published in the localities in
which they may chance to reside. Such
a one is Mr. J. W. Sexton, now of Victo-
ria, B. C., who will be remembered by
many readers of this column as being
formerly associated with the Brunswick
Hotel, West Worthing, honorary secre-
tary of the Heene Social Club in 1892-93,
and of No. 1 Lodge of the Royal Anti-
deluvian Order of Buffaloes." It is in-
teresting to observe that Mr. Sexton has
not forgotten his old association, for he
has sent the name "Brunswick"
upon the Victoria hotel of which he is
at present the proprietor—a palatial
structure which seems to spell prosperity
in the highest degree, and upon the pos-
session of which Mr. Sexton is to be
congratulated heartily. Acknowledg-
ment is due him for a copy of the
souvenir number of the Daily Colonist,
a marvellous compilation, consisting as
it does of no fewer than 40 pages in a
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of the marked enterprise and wonderful
resources of Vancouver Island."

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PRESS COMMENT.

The Colonist, of Victoria, B. C., in its
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ment, divided into five or six parts, deal-
ing with the resources of British Columbia.
Besides containing an excellent map, a
face-simile of that issued by the Department
of Mines, the number is well illus-
trated, and is really an excellent pro-
duction, reflecting great credit on the part
of our contemporary. As the commercial
development of Vancouver Island is also dealt
with, the interest is enhanced. Our read-
ers will remember a series of illustrated
articles appearing in our columns last year
when the potential value of an investment
in real estate in the coast cities was clearly
demonstrated. The Colonist has of course
been able to carry the idea much further
than our space could permit, and has pub-
lished in the British Columbia
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Mens' striped cambric shirts, cuffs attached, special75c each
Mens' English merino socks, special15c pair
See table of silk ties at25c each
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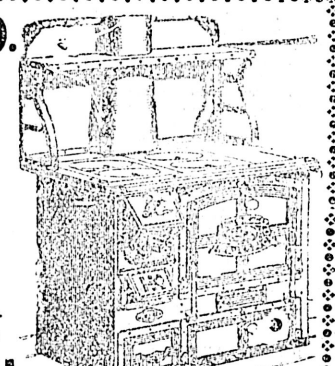
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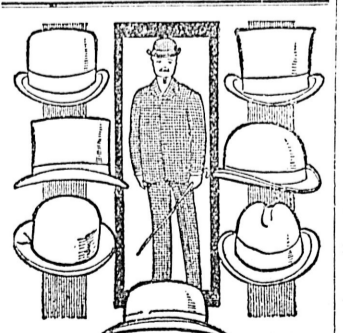
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AUCTION SALES.—All Advertisements for Auction Sales will be found on Page 8.

Unlucky Thirteen.—On Wednesday a dog attacked and killed a swan that was sitting on thirteen eggs in Beacon Hill park.

Lenten Lecture.—Rev. W. Baugh Allen will deliver the fifth of his special Lenten addresses at St. James' church this evening, the service commencing at 7.45.

Organ Recital.—At the fourth of the series of Lenten organ recitals, to be given at St. John's church after evening service on Sunday next, Mrs. McFarlane, Miss Armonson and Mr. Gideon Hicks (organists), and Mr. Frank Savage (solo violinist) will assist.

Special Prizes.—The Agricultural Society has received an offer of \$50 from W. H. Hayward, M. P., for five special prizes of \$10 each for the best in each division of horses, cattle, sheep, pigs and poultry bred in the province.

Death at Hospital.—On Wednesday the death of Hiram Clarke Whins occurred at the Jubilee Hospital. The deceased was a native of Missouri. His remains will be sent for burial to his late home on Salt Spring Island on Saturday.

Prisoner Captured.—Yesterday morning Police Officer Blackstock found the boy Emory, who escaped from the reformatory a day or so ago. Emory occurred to Vancouver. He slept under a sidewalk on Wednesday night. Bullock has not been located.

No Damage.—At about 1.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm was telephoned from the old custom house, where a tar bucket had caught fire. No water or chemicals were used, the fire being almost out when the firemen arrived. No damage was done.

Police Court.—In the police court yesterday morning, Jack, a Victoria inmate, was fined \$7.50 and \$1 costs, in default of which imprisonment for being drunk. The Dominion Trading Stamp Co. and the B. C. Market Co. cases were adjourned to the 28th.

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W. C. T. U. Meeting.—A meeting of the Central W. C. T. U. was held yesterday afternoon at the Refuge Home on Cormorant street. Mrs. Spofford gave a reading, which was very instructive to all present. All are invited to attend the next meeting, as there is business of importance.

To Hold a Bazaar.—The ladies of the Centennial church are getting up a bazaar in aid of the Sunday school extension fund. The bazaar will be held next Wednesday afternoon and evening. A concert or a musical programme will be given in the evening.

Another Specimen.—On Wednesday Curator Fannin added a splendid mountain sheep to the collection in the provincial museum. It is called Fannin's mountain sheep, Ovis Fannini (Hornaday). It was presented by H. W. Dawson, of Dawson, in October, 1900. The animal is a very fine specimen. It is white and gray in color, and possesses a magnificent pair of horns.

A New Industry.—The Hygiene Kola Company, of Toronto, whose tonic wine has won such great favor in Ontario and Quebec, have opened a branch at 16 Chancery lane here, for its manufacture. It is the coming non-intoxicating beverage of the future, and has already won a name in the East as a cure for indigestion and a builder up of the system after illness. Physicians recommend it, and all hotels, restaurants, grocers and druggists will sell it.

Spring Millinery.—Although making no pretensions to exclusive control of the world's supply of new millinery, the Columbia House, Douglas street, whose annual spring opening of ladies' hats, bonnets, etc., took place on Tuesday, has a showing in this line that is well worthy of inspection, and at prices that will command approval. The assortment is very select, and so pretty that it is almost impossible to attempt to describe some of the dainty headpieces without referring to them as "dreams," etc., etc.

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Provincial Legislature

Dominion Government Asked to Restore Duty on United States Lumber.

Mr. Helmcken Moves to Prevent Naturalized Asiatics Being Granted Franchise.

Legislative Assembly, 18th Day.

Thursday, March 21.

The Speaker took the chair at 2.45 p.m.

Rev. Canon Beaudin offered prayer.

Mr. Garden moved, seconded by Mr. Hayward:

"That this government request the Dominion government to place as great a duty on lumber coming into Canada from the United States as that country imposes on Canadian lumber entering the United States."

Speaking to his resolution, Mr. Garden said he was fully aware that the house could do nothing more than bring the question of relief of the lumber industry to the attention of the Dominion government. No part of the Dominion required more protection for its industries than British Columbia. It had been the intention of the Dominion government in taking the duty off lumber from the United States to provide the information, the great prairie belt. The necessity for that policy had passed, and it was time that the Canadian lumber industry and that of British Columbia in particular should be placed in a position to meet foreign competition. The United States exacted a duty of \$2 per thousand feet on lumber, and 30 cents per thousand on shingles. Ontario had placed an export duty on logs, and it might soon be necessary to follow her example and tax the export of rough lumber from British Columbia, and it would be to the disadvantage of the States manufacturers were building mills just across the boundary line and getting their material on this side, thus despoiling the province of its natural wealth, without any return. He hoped the house would support the resolution.

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Mr. Oliver complained of mercantile agencies spreading reports of court judgments. He wanted individuals to institute bogus suits for the purpose of injuring others.

Hon. Mr. Eberts promised to put an end to the cause of complaint by preventing commercial agencies from getting exceptional information. He showed how innocent parties might be injured through the indiscriminate use of court records by these agencies.

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Mr. Curtis said the debate had gone off on a side issue. He was surprised at the position taken by the government as to cost of returns asked for. He would undertake to defray the costs of the returns himself. They could all be made up by officials without a dollar of cost.

The resolution was defeated without division.

Company," and submit the same herewith with amendment.

The reports were received.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Mr. Curtis moved, seconded by Mr. Martin:

"That an order of the house be granted for a return of all supreme court and county court suits begun in each supreme court and county court registry of this province during the past year; of the amounts claimed for which actions were brought at each registry; of the number of cases tried and disposed of by each judge at the respective places throughout the province where courts were held, and the amounts of debt and costs (separately) for which judgments were given at each registry; also the amounts of debt and costs (separately) for which judgments were given on summary applications at each registry; also of the number of times each county judge held court at each place where actions were tried."

Mr. Curtis thought the return should be considered timely in view of the fact that the business of the courts was increasing very rapidly in the interior districts, and more judges were absolutely necessary. Resident supreme court judges were required in the Kootenays. He asked for the return to aid the government in presenting the case of the province to the Dominion government. The house would support the resolution. There was considerable complaint in the country with regard to costs. Trivial cases, which should be disposed of in the county court, were brought before the higher courts and large bills of costs made.

Hon. Mr. Eberts: That is not so. Only the costs of the lower court were allowed in such cases.

Mr. Curtis said he might be in error, but he thought the law should be amended to give the county courts jurisdiction up to \$1,000.

Hon. Mr. Turner objected to the resolution on the ground of the cost of the returns asked for. It would cost at least \$1,000 to get the information, a sum that could be expended to much greater advantage in other directions.

Hon. Mr. Eberts suggested that Mr. Curtis withdraw his resolution, and he would undertake to provide the information on the first day of next session. The government was fully impressed with the unsatisfactory conditions of court business in the Kootenays. The delegates to Ottawa had submitted the whole case to the minister of justice, and he hoped the result would be just what was satisfactory to the province. The government was earnest in its desire to secure more facilities for administration of justice. He did not agree about the jurisdiction of county court cases involving important principles must be taken in the supreme court. He didn't think the government could secure the returns this session, and asked that the resolution be withdrawn.

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The resolution was defeated without division.

THE FRANCHISE.

Mr. Helmcken moved, seconded by Mr. McPhillips:

"Whereas a bill is now pending before the House of Commons of Canada to amend the franchise act, and it is desirable that the said act should be amended so as to prevent the franchise being exercised by naturalized subjects of Japan and China:

Be It Therefore Resolved, That, in the opinion of this house, an humble address be presented to his honor the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to communicate with the Dominion government, pressing upon that government the necessity which exists for amending the said act so as to accomplish the above object."

Mr. Helmcken considered his resolution as one of the most important brought before the house this session. The Asiatic immigration question had been very largely discussed and statutes had been passed to restrict their influx to the country and check their aggressive tendencies in competing with white labor, but now a case had arisen where a judgment of the Supreme Court of British Columbia had declared that a naturalized Japanese was entitled to the franchise. He was glad the government had taken steps to appeal from that judgment and that they had secured leave to make the appeal. The house did not want Japanese and Chinese on the voters' lists; it did not even want them naturalized. The question had reached an acute stage, and he thought it was time for the province to declare to whom it should grant the franchise. Under the present doubtful state of the law a naturalized Japanese might not only have a right to vote, but might be elected to the house. All other considerations surrounding the Asiatic question were overshadowed by the present one, which was to decide whether or not these people were to be allowed to exercise the franchise and become factors in the government of the country. (Applause.)

Mr. Martin said the spirit of the resolution. The Dominion might give Japanese and Chinese a right to vote in Dominion elections if it wished, but he did not think it would wish to dictate to this province who should vote in provincial affairs.

Mr. Gilmour supported the resolution and hoped it would have a good effect at Ottawa.

Hon. Mr. McBride was heartily in accord with the resolution, but could not agree with Mr. Martin in his view that resolutions of the legislature had no effect at Ottawa and were beyond the powers of this house. He felt confident that these resolutions had a beneficial effect and assisted British Columbia members at Ottawa in bringing provincial matters before the Dominion house. This applied especially to resolutions relating to Chinese and Japanese, as eastern members were ignorant of the real conditions, and everything that could aid to their knowledge of the subject must be a benefit to British Columbia.

The resolution was then adopted.

DESERVED WIVES.

Mr. McPhillips' bill respecting wives deserted by their husbands was read a third time and passed.

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RICH WRECK BAY.

Ten Machines to Be Used—Expect to Take Out \$150,000 This Season.

C. C. Plims, who was a passenger to Wreck Bay on the steamer Queen City, and who was the discoverer of the rich black sand property on the Coast, says that Mr. Sutton and the others interested in the company which is working the beach at Wreck Bay, expect to take out at least \$150,000 this coming season. Work has already been commenced at the rich mines, two machines having been put in operation. Mr. Sutton, who is now in Victoria, will leave for Wreck Bay by the next steamer, and the other two machines will then be put in operation. After the first week in April the machines will be increased, six more being taken up on the Queen City, making a total of ten to be used during this coming season.

Last year the workers took out \$12,000 from a narrow deposit of black sand, about 15 feet wide and 150 feet long, working with small plates 12 inches long and using a stream of water of half an inch. Now, with the flame afterwards built and ten machines with plates three feet across in each, they expect to take out at least \$150,000.

Whether Long Beach, which has since been staked above Wreck Bay, will turn out as rich, is yet to be seen. Then, too, there is a deposit at Esperanza Inlet, another near Cloosee, and still another at San Juan.

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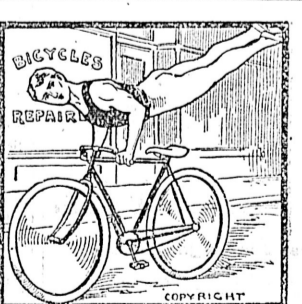
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LEGAL PROFESSION.

Mr. Gilmour's bill to amend the legal profession act came up for second reading. The bill provides that any person, being a British subject of full age and good repute who has served as clerk in any land registry office in this province for at least eight years continuously, and who has passed the final examination to be passed by students at law, without any further or other requirement, except the payment of the usual fees in that behalf.

Mr. Martin said the bill practically threw the profession open to the public, that is, any person who could pass the examination. He could not see why the government officials should be made an exception. Why should they be admitted to practise law because they had spent several years in office drawing a good salary? The house had no right to legislate for any particular profession, but that which may be called or admitted to practise.

Hon. Mr. Eberts would support the second reading. He knew of several men well up in the law of real estate and who might become useful members of the profession.

Mr. McPhillips was surprised at Mr. Martin's attitude. He took occasion at all possible opportunities to declare his willingness to throw down all barriers that would keep the legal profession on its present high and honorable plane. The honorable gentleman was only talking politically, otherwise he might have reformed the profession to his liking during his term of office. Mr. McPhillips was proceeding to criticize Mr. Martin's "Tories act," when Mr. Martin claimed he was out of order. This led to some brisk exchanges of opinion between the two.

Mr. Hunter assumed the role of peace-maker and suggested the point to which Mr. McPhillips was evidently leading up: That an official capable of administering the duty of land registrar should be eligible to admission to practise law.

The discussion was continued for some time by Messrs. McPhillips and Martin. Mr. Hayward said it appeared to him that the lawyers had wasted a lot of time in arguing over a bill which, on the face of it, appeared to affect only one individual. As a layman he protested against the time of the house being taken up by discussions which led to nothing in the way of legislation. The desire of certain legal gentlemen to hear themselves talk. It would have been much more businesslike had the promoter of the bill brought it in for the relief of and announced the person it was intended to benefit.

The bill was read a second time.

PROTECTION FOR BAKERS.

Mr. McPhillips moved the second reading of the shop regulations amendment and explained that it applied especially to bakers and bakeries. It provided for sanitary arrangements in bakeries, forbade employees sleeping in the workshop, limited the hours of labor, and that persons afflicted with certain diseases should not be permitted to work in bakeries. The law was the same as that of Ontario, as he believed in making the statutes of British Columbia conform as much as possible with that of the other provinces. It would serve to simplify matters, and the province would have the benefit of the experience of the working of the law in the other countries.

Mr. Neill drew attention to several points in the bill which he alleged conflicted with the present law and opened the way to a discussion of the Sunday law.

The bill was read a second time.

INFANT PROTECTION.

Mr. McPhillips moved the second reading of an act to regulate maternity boarding houses and for the protection of infant children. He explained the provisions of the act, which was a copy of the law in force in Ontario and Manitoba, where it was giving general satisfaction.

Mr. Helmecken agreed with the principles of the bill and would give it his support. He hoped it would not inter-

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News from
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Disastrous Accident to a Rail-
way Train Crowded With
Passengers.

Bush Fires Cause Loss of
Life—A Morgue Sen-
sation.

R. M. S. Mowera, from the Antipodes, brings news of a disastrous accident on the Illawarra-Sydney railway. An engine attached to a through train, with 500 people on board, ran off the rails soon after leaving Sydney, and dragged with it the first attached carriage. The train was travelling full speed at the time. The engine made a complete revolution and swung around, so that when its progress was arrested about twenty yards from the railway line it was facing in the direction from which it had previously been travelling. The carriage immediately attached to it was completely smashed and seven passengers killed outright, and two so severely injured that they died next day, while twenty-six were badly injured. The second carriage was also derailed, but not extensively damaged, while the remaining portion of the train suffered but slightly.

Because of some phosphorus dropped by some men who were making rabbit poison in Killeera settlement, near Melbourne, a tract of country 30 miles long and 10 miles wide was swept by a most destructive bush fire, and not only were many homesteads destroyed, but a number of settlers were enveloped and burned to death. The residents who escaped describe the noise of the flames as resembling thunder, and many believed that a thunderstorm was coming, until the burning flame told the terrible truth.

The air was darkened by dense clouds of heavy smoke, which seemed to suddenly clear away and disclose a mountain of flames close by. Scarcely a settler in the district escaped loss one way or another, and in many cases the loss of stock and property ran into thousands of pounds. Many thrilling experiences are reported. Mrs. Forge and her son attempted to save some of their clothing by placing it in a dry, which they drew on to the road and got under it themselves, but the vehicle ignited and was consumed, and huddled up in the blinding smoke and surrounded by flame, they thought they too would be burned to death, but they escaped, how they could not tell. It is difficult to estimate the loss of life, but as there are so many homesteads or more in the district it is feared that it will be large.

A sensation had been caused at Newcastle by the finding of a living man, Robert Hughes, in the dead house attached to the hospital. He was found just before arrangements were made for his interment. The man was brought to the hospital in a cab and life was pronounced extinct, and the police were ordered to place the body on the slab in the morgue. This they did, and it was not until some time afterwards, when entering the dead house an attendant found the supposed dead man writhing on the slab. He was at once removed to the hospital, but he soon afterwards died.

DISEASES OF CHILDREN.

Measles, Scarlet Fever and the many exhausting diseases of childhood, frequently leave the little sufferer in a weakened and debilitated condition of health from which it is difficult to rescue him except by the regular use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food. This preparation is admirably suited to the requirements of children, and has such an invigorating and restorative influence on the system as to make weak, puny children healthy, plump and active.

ADVANTAGES OF KHAKI.

The Chinese Expedition Again Proves It To Be The Best Color For a Uniform.

The Pekin correspondent of the New York Post says: The French troops here have fallen on the whole to impress the other armies favorably. In point of drill and appearance the Germans are second to none. Their field supply system is so weak, however, that they have been compelled to buy and borrow from the Americans and British, especially in matters relating to the feeding and comfort of the troops. These two nations have in fact assisted all the others, and in a spirit of friendly rivalry, taken points from each other.

There is one thing which the everlasting campaigns of England have done for the British army: they have developed in practice the best ideas for uniform, accoutrement, and supply in the field. The khaki color is a British invention, and its value in making troops invisible was absolutely determined at Tientsin. When the American 9th Infantry and the marines were plain marks even at long range, in their blue shirts, in a line with them at the same range the Welsh Fusiliers were invisible to the naked eye and hard to find with field glasses. So far the United States and their allies in adopting the khaki for field uniforms have only done what a thin cotton drill for tropical service. But the British have wisely determined that a man in blue is as good a mark in winter as in summer, and have equipped their troops in heavy winter khaki and khaki overcoats. Officers and men alike in the American force here are in love with it. It looks well, is warm, and eminently serviceable in the field. I have heard some of them talk of sending in a suggestion to General Miles for the secretary of war, I trust that they do not forget their good resolutions, or that in some other way the matter will be brought to the notice of the authorities who can adopt this excellent system of khaki for field uniform.

The experience of the battles of Tientsin was that all the American troops on the march to Pekin had to drop the blue shirt and wear the khaki tunic. The adoption of the universal khaki uniform for the field is no fad; it is an absolute necessity to neglect this, and the American force here are in love with it. It looks well, is warm, and eminently serviceable in the field. I have heard some of them talk of sending in a suggestion to General Miles for the secretary of war, I trust that they do not forget their good resolutions, or that in some other way the matter will be brought to the notice of the authorities who can adopt this excellent system of khaki for field uniform.

Summer Schedule.—The summer schedule of the E. & N. Railway company will go into effect on Saturday. The afternoon trains on both Saturday and Sunday will leave at 4:25 instead of 3:30, and the southbound will leave Nanaimo later, passing Shawnigan lake at 7:01 instead of 5. This will give those wishing to spend Saturday or Sunday at the lake a longer day.

Touring the World.—Mr. William M. Oats, of Glasgow, who is making a tour of the world, as Indian and colonial representative of the English National Council of the Young Men's Christian Association, arrived on the Mayflower from Australia yesterday afternoon. Mr. Oats is accompanied by his wife, a daughter of the late Dr. Andrew Bonar, and after a visit to Vancouver will conduct a series of gospel meetings in this city, beginning on April 2.

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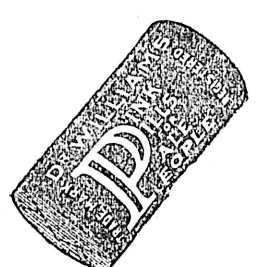
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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, March 21st—8 p.m. SYNOPSIS. Since morning the barometer has fallen considerably over the North Pacific coast and risen over California. This change is causing rain along the coasts of Oregon and Washington, which will probably spread inland to the Cascades. With the exception of rain at Medicine Hat the weather has been fair and mild from the Pacific to Manitoba.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	38	49
New Westminster	34	42
Kamloops	30	36
Barkerville	30	42
Calgary	24	50
Winnipeg	22	28
Portland, Ore.	42	52
San Francisco, Cal.	50	56

FORECASTS.

Victoria and vicinity: Winds mostly southerly, unsettled and mild with occasional rains. Lower mainland: Winds mostly easterly or southerly, unsettled and mild with rain.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21.

7 a.m. Mean 40.3. Low 34. High 49.3. Wind S.W. 10 m.p.h. The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows: 5 a.m. S.W. 10 m.p.h. 11 a.m. S.W. 10 m.p.h. 5 p.m. S.W. 10 m.p.h. Average state of weather—Cloudy. Sunshine 30 minutes. Barometer at noon—Observed, 29.804. Corrected, 29.802. NEW WESTMINSTER. Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected, 29.72.

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VICTORIA TIDES.

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The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.3 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock. The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120 Meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Date.	Day.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.
1 P.	1	5:51	7.8	6:09	7.2	6:27	6.5	6:45	5.8
2 P.	2	5:11	7.7	6:28	6.8	6:47	7.9	7:05	7.5
3 P.	3	4:30	7.5	7:47	6.3	7:52	7.7	8:04	7.9
4 P.	4	3:48	7.4	8:39	5.8	8:54	7.5	9:09	7.5
5 P.	5	3:15	7.0	9:11	5.3	9:24	7.2	9:39	7.3
6 P.	6	2:46	7.7	9:51	4.8	10:04	7.0	10:15	7.4
7 P.	7	2:20	7.9	10:32	4.3	10:44	6.8	10:58	7.2
8 P.	8	1:50	8.0	11:15	3.9	11:27	6.5	11:40	7.4
9 P.	9	1:23	8.1	12:00	4.0	12:12	6.2	12:25	6.8
10 P.	10	1:00	8.1	12:51	3.8	1:02	5.9	1:15	6.5
11 P.	11	1:11	8.0	1:34	3.6	1:36	5.7	1:49	6.3
12 P.	12	1:00	8.0	2:14	3.4	2:16	5.5	2:29	6.1
1 P.	1	1:51	7.9	2:57	3.2	2:59	5.3	3:12	5.9
2 P.	2	2:41	7.8	3:40	3.0	3:42	5.1	3:55	5.7
3 P.	3	3:30	7.6	4:23	2.8	4:25	4.9	4:38	5.5
4 P.	4	4:19	7.4	5:06	2.6	5:08	4.7	5:21	5.3
5 P.	5	5:08	7.2	5:49	2.4	5:51	4.5	6:04	5.1
6 P.	6	5:57	7.0	6:32	2.2	6:34	4.3	6:47	4.9
7 P.	7	6:46	6.8	7:15	2.0	7:17	4.1	7:30	4.7
8 P.	8	7:35	6.6	7:58	1.8	8:00	3.9	8:13	4.5
9 P.	9	8:24	6.4	8:41	1.6	8:43	3.7	8:56	4.3
10 P.	10	9:13	6.2	9:24	1.4	9:26	3.5	9:39	4.1
11 P.	11	10:02	6.0	10:15	1.2	10:17	3.3	10:30	3.9
12 P.	12	10:51	5.8	11:04	1.0	11:06	3.1	11:19	3.7
1 P.	1	11:40	5.6	11:53	0.8	11:55	2.9	12:08	3.5
2 P.	2	12:29	5.4	12:42	0.6	12:44	2.7	12:57	3.3
3 P.	3	1:18	5.2	1:31	0.4	1:33	2.5	1:46	3.1
4 P.	4	2:07	5.0	2:20	0.2	2:22	2.3	2:35	2.9
5 P.	5	2:56	4.8	3:09	0.0	3:11	2.1	3:24	2.7
6 P.	6	3:45	4.6	3:58	-0.2	4:00	1.9	4:13	2.5
7 P.	7	4:34	4.4	4:47	-0.4	4:49	1.7	5:02	2.3
8 P.	8	5:23	4.2	5:36	-0.6	5:38	1.5	5:51	2.1
9 P.	9	6:12	4.0	6:25	-0.8	6:27	1.3	6:40	1.9
10 P.	10	7:01	3.8	7:14	-1.0	7:16	1.1	7:29	1.7
11 P.	11	7:50	3.6	8:03	-1.2	8:05	0.9	8:18	1.5
12 P.	12	8:39	3.4	8:52	-1.4	8:54	0.7	9:07	1.3
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5 P.	5	12:44	2.4	12:57	-2.4	12:59	-0.3	1:12	0.3
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9 P.	9	1:49	-0.8	2:02	-5.6	2:04	-3.5	2:17	2.7
10 P.	10	2:38	-1.0	2:51	-5.8	2:53	-3.7	3:06	2.9
11 P.	11	3:27	-1.2	3:40	-6.0	3:42	-3.9	3:55	3.1
12 P.	12	4:16	-1.4	4:29	-6.2	4:31	-4.1	4:44	3.3

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Statistics of Chinese Trade

Figures Furnished by Chinese Board of Trade to the Commission.

The Chinese witnesses and the legal fraternity had a field day at the Royal Commission yesterday. Nearly the whole time was consumed with the examination of Lee Cheong, of the Chinese firm of Tai Yung & Co., the leading Chinese business house in the city. The first witness was a Chinese laundryman, whose evidence was similar to that given yesterday by another laundryman, Lee Sang, a Chinese interpreter, also gave evidence, but nothing of importance was elicited from him other than what laundrymen of other Chinese he called could say.

Evidence of Lee Cheong a Wealthy and Influential Chinese Merchant.

The evidence of Lee Cheong was important in that as a leading member of the Chinese board of trade the statement which he submitted was in a manner official. This statement, which was prepared by the witness and translated by Lee Mong Kow, is given in full here-with:

Occupation. No. of Chinese.

Merchants 388
Wives of merchants and laborers 32
Male native born children 43
Female native born children 43
Domestic cooks and servants employed by whites 539
Tailors 59
Sewing machine operators and tailors 84
Sawmill hands 18
Cannery men 886
Laundrymen employed in 40 wash-houses 197
Miscellaneous laborers employed 628
Miscellaneous laborers unemployed 173
Females, no occupation whatever 4

Total Chinese Households of Different Classes in the City of Victoria, B. C. 3,272

Merchants' families 45
Laborers' families 28
Ministers' families 28
Interpreters' families 2

Total 76

The above households include:

Merchants' wives 61
Ministers' wives 28
Interpreters' wives 28
Children, native born males 82
Children, native born females 82

Total business done by Chinese firms in the city of Victoria, B. C. for one year, ending February 17, 1901, \$1,059,805.12.

Imports from China \$197,594.78
Goods purchased in Canada, England and United States 491,309.25
Canada customs duties, wharfage, freight and drayage 118,376.75
Revenue and road tax, assessments, taxes, business licenses, exclusive of laborers' licenses 7,904.85
Water rates, gas and electric lights 9,452.25
Insurance, fire 4,111.20

Rents paid to white landlords exclusive of laborers' dwellings 31,274.75
Postage stamps exclusive of laborers' 1,511.69
Custom house brokerage 807.50
Real estate purchased by Chinese in the city of Victoria, B. C. 296,000.25
Total capital invested in business by Chinese in the city of Victoria, B. C. 573,500.00

The witness answered a number of questions put by President Clute and other members of the commission respecting details of the statement. He would, he said, gladly furnish further statements desired by the commission.

Witness gave many details respecting his own experiences in this country. In dress and habits he adopted the customs of this country in many things. In cooking he adhered largely to Chinese methods, though adopting English sometimes. He had his wife and two children living with him here. He owned the property he occupied and considered his business. His firm was the largest Chinese house engaged in trade in the city. Witness described the methods of the Chinese benevolent society of which he is president. The pauper or sick Chinese did not become a burden on the white people, the Chinese themselves caring for them. He also gave some particulars of the Chinese hospital. If a sick man wanted a white doctor he could have him. Most of the Chinese he knew were westerners, but he had seen many in China. As to trade, 97 per cent of this was with white people and the other 3 per cent with his own people. The proportion of trade done by other Chinese merchants with white was 50 to 80 per cent. He thought cheap labor would develop the resources of this country if permitted to enter freely. Chinese did not go east very much, because there was not much business for them there. He thought hardly Chinese men could stand the cold weather of the

east. China imported large quantities of lumber, flour, etc. The flour was mostly from the United States.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At the afternoon session Lee Cheong was recalled. He considered that 75 per cent of the average spendings of the Chinese in this country was for articles purchased from white men, and 25 per cent in goods imported by Chinese from China. That, of course, was a general estimate, the details of what laborers bought from white merchants not being known. The Chinese had no union, nor did skilled trades such as tailors and shoemakers. It was nearly three years since he had been in China, and he saw a great change in Chinese from time to time. The influence of Chinese returning from here was very great. Chinese laborers, he said, were prohibited from coming here, and the good feeling between the two races was hurt, as well. If laboring classes were prohibited, those now here would save all they could and go back to China. The feeling for prohibition here had prevented many from coming. Those who were here had remained in Chinatown because, while they could get cheaper rent and a nice cottage and garden they would be constantly having their windows and doors broken, from boys breaking them. The families had not tried it on account of the experience of laundries not in Chinatown, which were all national from stones thrown by boys. He believed the same would happen if families of Chinese took cottages in the residential portions of the city. If immigration were prohibited, he did not think it would affect the way in which Chinese did their work. If they became less numerous, it might be they would be more independent. He thought the industries of the country would be affected by debarring the Chinese. He believed, regarding two wives, it was the custom, not a law, in China. It was from the fact that they were very anxious to preserve the line of their family. They kept on getting even the fourth, fifth or sixth wife, if they did not have children by the others. Other Chinese owned land and houses, as his firm. As to the proportion of merchants to the Chinese population, witness submitted a statement showing of 288 merchants there might be five, seven or more partners. He gave details of the number in each trade. In the class of merchants included the clerks, who had no interest in the business.

Asked by Mr. Foley if so many Chinese came to Canada that wages of Chinese were reduced one-half, would the government of China restrict immigration, witness did not know, but his opinion was that China was an open country, where the whole population of Canada would not be noticed. His opinion was that wages were too low in China for white men to go there to compete, but to open the country and develop it, he believed many of the white men would go to China, and they would be welcome.

Commissioner Foley asked a number of questions bearing on the general conditions surrounding the labor situation, and how low wages for Chinese would have to go to stop immigration. Witness thought the presence of the Chinese laborer was an assistance in opening up the country. If wages dropped to \$10 per month, Chinese would not come here.

As to the effect of the increase in the head tax, witness pointed out that from July last year, when the tax was increased to December, when it came into force, the Chinese had been coming here in swarms if they had desired before the increase would be collected. But they did not, and in fact the average had fallen. Many manufacturers of Canada and England were largely consumed in China, and he thought the development in the future would be very great.

Employees were not compelled to buy from the stores of the Chinese companies employing them, but there was a standard price fixed by all the merchants, so that it made no difference where they bought. There might be some cases where they were compelled to buy from employers. The Chinese thought the head tax act was passed to protect the white people; they did not think it had any aspect referring to race or creed. Chinese could not bring their families when they first came at the time of the building of the C. P. R.; the restriction act was passed in 1885, and since then they could not bring their wives. He knew nothing of Chinese refusing to work in the brick yards with white men. He hoped that the two races would become one in time.

To Mr. Wilson witness said the \$1,059,800 in the sheet submitted represented goods sold by the Chinese merchants. He could not give figures as to amount paid to clerks and for service in stores, but he could try and give the figures. The two items of "real estate" and "capital invested" were two separate items. The latter item did not include obligations to white merchants, but was merely the amount brought from China. All the real estate owned by Chinese was in British Columbia. Part of it was outside city limits.

Witness explained further details of the statement he had submitted in the morning.

The cutting of the queue was looked upon in this country as a sign that a Chinaman had been in jail. It was not so in China, but the Chinese preferred following the universal custom which had prevailed for over 200 years in China. Chinese would be willing to marry and associate with white people, but the latter objected to marrying Chinese. There had been no cases of Chinese marrying white people, but he knew of one case where a Chinese in Eastern Canada married a white girl and set out to take a trip to China. When they reached Vancouver the girl refused to go further with him, which showed the objection was on the side of the white people. His opinion was that Chinese had no objection whatever to intermarrying with white people. Higher class Chinese in China might object to their daughters marrying white men, but marriage there was not through blood, but through money, but by arrangement between the parents. As to head tax, so far as he knew the individuals paid it themselves. There was no head tax when the Chinese were imported to work on the C. P. R. construction. He thought the tax had restricted immigration. The lower classes could not raise the \$160 Mexican which the \$50 represented. When the tax was doubled it had greater effect. He thought there might be more Chinese now here than before the tax. He estimated that there were not more than 10,000 Chinese in British Columbia. That included the 3,200 in Victoria. There were now less women than formerly.

To Mr. Bradburn witness explained the working of the Benevolent Society. Indigent and disabled Chinese were sent back by the society to China. White doctors were quite extensively employed by Chinese.

The commission adjourned at the conclusion of the witness' evidence.

THE DISCOVERY.

Lady Markham Christens Antarctic Expedition Steamer.

Dundee, Scotland, March 21.—The National Antarctic expedition's steamer Discovery was launched here this afternoon. The Discovery was christened by Lady Markham, wife of Sir Clement Markham, president of the Royal Geographical Society.

OBSTRUCTION.

Irish Members Attempt to Stop Adoption of Army Estimates.

London, March 22.—In the House of Commons, during the discussion of the army estimates, the Irish members protested against the war in South Africa as unjust, and generally resorted to tactics for obstructing the adoption of the votes.

Mr. Brodrick, the war secretary, appealed to them to allow the votes to be taken, promising that an opportunity would be given after Easter to discuss army matters. Finally Mr. Balfour applied the closure, the Irish members howling and shouting "Scandalous! 'Gag!' and similar ejaculations. The vote for army pay was adopted by 157 to 48, and the house adjourned at 2:13 a.m.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Electoral Districts of Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt, and the Land Districts of Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast, Queen Charlotte Islands, North Saanich and part of Barclay and Clayoquot.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act" are now due for the year 1901. Assessed taxes are collectable at the following rates, viz:

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1901:

Three-fifths of one per cent on real property.

Two and one-half per cent on assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent, on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars in accordance with the following classification, upon such excess the rates shall be, namely:

Class A.—On one thousand dollars and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, one per cent, up to five thousand dollars, and two per cent, on the remainder.

Class B.—On ten thousand dollars and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half per cent, up to ten thousand dollars, and two and one-half per cent on the remainder.

Class C.—On twenty thousand dollars and not exceeding forty thousand dollars, two and one-half per cent, up to twenty thousand dollars, and three per cent on the remainder.

Class D.—On all others in excess of forty thousand dollars, three per cent, up to forty thousand dollars, and three and one-half per cent on the remainder.

If paid on or after 1st July, 1901:

Four-fifths of one per cent, on real property.

Three per cent on the assessed value of wild land.

Three-fourths of one per cent, on personal property.

Upon such excess of income:

Class A.—On one thousand dollars and not exceeding ten thousand dollars, one and one-half per cent up to five thousand dollars, and two and one-half per cent on the remainder.

Class B.—On ten thousand dollars and not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, two per cent up to ten thousand dollars, and three per cent on the remainder.

Class C.—On twenty thousand dollars and not exceeding forty thousand dollars, three per cent up to twenty thousand dollars, and three and one-half per cent on the remainder.

Class D.—On all others in excess of forty thousand dollars, three and one-half per cent, up to forty thousand dollars, and four per cent on the remainder.

Revenue Tax, \$3.00 per capita (Victoria City excepted).

C. BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

Victoria, B. C. February 28th, 1901.

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